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For **OPERATING METHOD FOR A PACKAGING MACHINE OF THE SLEEVE TYPE, PACKAGING MACHINE FOR IMPLEMENTING THE SAID METHOD, AND PACKAGE PRODUCED BY THE SAID METHOD**

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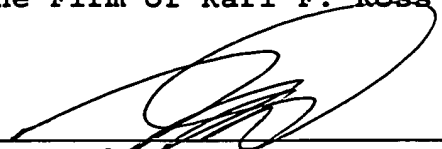
There is a copy of the European Search Report in the corresponding European application EP 03 02 0650 and copies of the references cited therein. A copy of Great Britain 2 237 785 which corresponds to DE 40 35 350 is likewise enclosed.

Since the search report is in the English language, no separate English language version or translation is required.

For the record it is noted that EP 0 629 551 corresponds to United States Patent 5 463 846 and that EP 0 949 145 has a United States equivalent as Patent No. 6,128,888.

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